

Amendment and Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116

Applicant: Mark W. Minne et al.

Serial No.: 09/718,322

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Title: ONE-TIME-USE DIGITAL CAMERA

REMARKS

The following remarks are made in response to the Final Office Action mailed January 27, 2005. Claims 1-21, 23-35 and 46-57 have been allowed. Claims 36-45 and 58-83 were rejected. With this Response, claims 36-45 and 58-83 have been cancelled. Claims 1-21, 23-35 and 46-57 remain pending in the application and are presented for allowance.

Drawings

The Examiner stated that an amended replacement drawing sheet illustrating a corrected Figure 3 was not found with the previous response. The Examiner requested that Applicant resubmit "an amended replacement drawing of Figure 3" in response to this Office Action. Applicant has corrected Figure 3 by adding element number 52 indicating the illustrated front portion, as described in the specification. An amended replacement drawing sheet having Figure 3 is included with this response. Approval of the amended replacement sheet is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claim 42 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. With this Response, claim 42 has been cancelled.

Claim Objections

Claims 58-67 are objected to based on informalities as indicated by the Examiner. With this Response, claims 58-67 have been cancelled.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 58, 59-70, and 71-83 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by Tamaru Masaya (Translation of JP 2000-228740). With this Response, claims 58, 59-70 and 71-83 are cancelled.

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Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 36, 37, 39 and 40 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wong (U.S. Publication No. 2003/0058355) in view of Ohmori U.S. Patent No. 5,790,193.

Claims 38, 41 and 42-43 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wong in view of Ohmori as applied to claims discussed above, and further in view of Gudesen et al. U.S. Patent No. 6,055,180.

Claims 44-45 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kitajima Toshiro (Translation of JP 2000-196995) in view of Tringali et al. U.S. Patent No. 6,545,891.

With this Response, claims 36-45 are cancelled.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-21, 23-35 and 46-57 stand allowed.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that pending claims 1-21, 23-35 and 46-57 are in form for allowance and are not taught or suggested by the cited references. Therefore, allowance of claims 1-21, 23-35 and 46-57 is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's representative at the below-listed telephone numbers to facilitate prosecution of this application.

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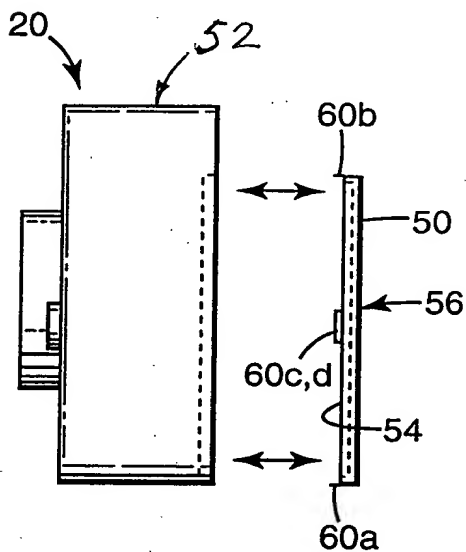


Fig. 3

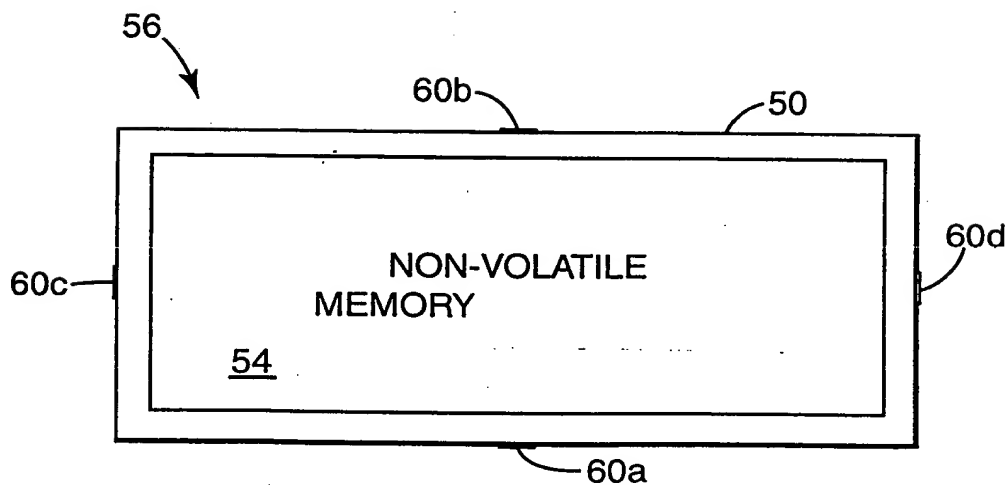


Fig. 4